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is located, on which the bending processing is to be carried out, is located on the bending table 50.

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 2 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the claims to read as follows.

1. (Amended)

A composite panel comprising:

a first flat face sheet, a second flat face sheet, and a flat center core member provided between said first flat face sheet and said second flat face sheet, characterized in that

a length of said first flat face sheet is equal to a length of said flat center core member;

an end portion of said second flat face sheet is positioned shorter than an end portion of said flat center core member; and

a whole face of said first flat face sheet is adhered to substantially a whole face of said flat center core member; and

said flat center core member in a side of said end portion of said second flat face sheet is not adhered to said second flat face sheet, whereby said second flat face sheet is partially adhered to said flat center core member.

3. (Amended)

A composite panel comprising:

a first flat face sheet, a second flat face sheet, and a flat center core member

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provided between and adhered to said first-face sheet and said second flat face sheet, characterized in that

said first flat face sheet, said second flat face sheet, and said flat center core member are bent at a portion between their ends; and

said first flat face sheet is a separate sheet from said second flat face sheet.

Please add the following new claims to the application:

-10. A composite panel according to claim 1, characterized in that:

each of said first flat face sheet and said second flat face sheet is formed from a material selected from the group consisting of a metal plate, a fiber reinforced plastic, and paper.

A composite panel according to claim 1, characterized in that:

said flat center core member is formed from a material selected from the group

consisting of a honeycomb shaped paper, a honeycomb shaped fiber reinforced plastic,

and a foam material.

12. A composite panel, comprising:

a flat center core member having first and second major surfaces;

a first flat face sheet having a length substantially equal to a length of the flat center core member and being adhered to substantially all of the first major surface of the flat center core member; and

a second flat face sheet having a length shorter than the length of the flat center core member and having a first end portion adhered to a first end portion of the second major surface of the flat center core member, and a second end portion including a



second end terminating short of a second and of the flat center core member, the second end portion of the second flat face sheet not being agree d to the second major surface of the flat center core member.

- 13. The composite panel according to claim 12, wherein the first flat face sheet is made of a material selected from the group consisting of metal, fiber reinforced plastic and paper, the flat center core is made of a material selected from the group consisting of a honeycomb-shaped paper, a honeycomb-shaped fiber reinforced plastic and foam material, and the second flat face plate is made of a material selected from the group consisting of metal, fiber reinforced plastic and paper.
- 14. The composite panel according to claim/13, wherein a thickness of each of the first and second flat face plates is in a range of about 0.5mm-2.0mm, and a thickness of the flat center core member is in a range of/about 20mm to 50mm.
- 15. The composite panel according to claim 12, wherein the first flat face sheet is made of a material selected from the group consisting of metal, fiber reinforced plastic and paper.
- 16. The composite panel according to claim 12, wherein the flat center core is made of a material selected from the group consisting of a honeycomb-shaped paper, a honeycomb-shaped fiber reinforced plastic and foam material.
- 17. The composite panel according to claim 12, wherein the second flat face plate is made of a material selected from the group consisting of metal, fiber reinforced plastic and paper.
- 18. The composite panel according to claim 12, wherein a thickness of each of the first and second flat face plates is in a range of about 0.5mm-2.0mm, and a thickness of

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the flat center core member is in a range of about 20mm to 50mm.

- 19. The composite panel according to claim 12, wherein a thickness of each of the first and second flat face plates is in a range of about 0.5mm-2.0mm.
- 20. The composite panel according to claim 12, wherein a thickness of the flat center core member is in a range of about 20mm to 50mm.
- 21. The composite panel according to claim 12, wherein the first flat face sheet is adhered to the flat center core member by one of soldering, welding and by an adhesive coating.
- 22. The composite panel according to claim 12, wherein the first end portion of the second flat face sheet is adhered to the first end portion of the flat center core member by one of soldering, welding and by an adhesive coating.—